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Idaho Department of Insurance Working to Protect AIG Policyholders

BOISE ID – (**Sept. 18, 2008**) — The Idaho Department of Insurance has joined forces with other state insurance regulators to protect policyholders of American International Group's (AIG) insurance companies. This oversight will continue as AIG operates under the credit facility offered by the Federal Reserve.

The National Association of Insurance Commissioners has established a working group to oversee AIG insurance interests in this financial situation and to coordinate with federal regulators as needed.

"Idahoans should rest assured that the Department is aware of this situation and is working with AIG and other regulators to protect their interests," said Director Bill Deal. "AIG's insurance companies are solvent and able to pay their obligations."

The Department regularly performs on-site examinations and periodic financial analyses of insurers doing business in Idaho. If a company is having problems, the Department has established procedures to protect consumers and help the company get back on its feet.

Claims from individual policyholders are given the utmost priority over other creditors in the unlikely event that an insurer fails. If company assets are not sufficient to cover these claims, the state guaranty fund will provide coverage, subject to certain limits, similar to the FDIC's coverage for bank accounts.

The Department of Insurance encourages consumers to call with insurance-related questions or concerns, 334-4250 in Boise, or 800-721-3272 toll free statewide.

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